

Tree City Board
City of Lewisburg
September 1, 2021
4:00 PM
Lewisburg City Hall

Committee Members in Attendance: Barbara Woods, Cary Whitesell, Scott Vernon (LES), Lisa Jackson, Jim Bingham, Cheryl Taylor, Andrea Warf, Branden Davidson

Meeting was called to order at 4:00 PM by Barbara Woods

September 2020 Minutes were reviewed. Motion to approve Branden Davidson, Cheryl Taylor, 2nd. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Chairman Barbara Woods to thank the late Councilman C.H. Harwell for his dedication the Tree City USA board. Andrea Warf second the motion. Motion carried.

Discussion Items

- Branden Davidson updated the committee that the old trees have been removed from the square. He is trying to find a nursery to replace these trees.
- Barbara Woods reported that the 2021 Beautification project, Litter pick up along RCP with storm water director Stacey Martin went well. Possibly do again in March 2022 and add an educational sheet with this.
- Benches along RCP were cleaned by Duke Hamilton and his son, Dennis from Bills McGaugh Funeral home- A joint letter from mayor Bingham and Barbara Woods will be sent on behalf of the Board and City.
- The Lewisburg Recreation Center has one Nature Conservancy sign to put back up this fall along the greenway.
- The protection for the trees at Southside sports complex is working well
- Cary Whitesell reported that the Tree Giveaway will be March 19, 2022 through the Tennessee environmental Council. Andrea Warf reported that Oak Grove Elementary School
- Cary Whitesell reported that there may possibly funding through the Tn Dept. of Ag for trees and pollinator garden
- We are looking for funding for trailhead signage
- Barbara Woods is going to ask Stacey Cothran with Waste Management if they could donate replacement garbage and recycling cans along the greenway that have been damaged throughout construction
- Need to start making a plan to replace ash trees that are dying due to the Emerald ash bore
 - Recommend that we replace these with something smaller and could be a good Arbor Day project
 - Will need to go in front of council to ask for funding
- Arbor Day will be the first Friday in March, 2022, we can possibly move our celebration in coordination with the tree distribution on March 19, 2022. The observation will be our Spring Meeting.
- Meeting with Waste Management about the 373 project- planting of colorful fall and summer trees got cancelled. However, the theory is still that Waste Management will fund this project.

Announcements:

Next meeting is TBD. Either First Friday on March or March 19, 2022. Time TBD

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cary Whitesell, Secretary

Barbara Woods, Chairman